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n re Patent Application of Hunt et al.		) Group Art Unit: 1725
Application No.: 10/668,255		Filed: September 24, 2003
Title:	METHOD FOR BONDING ) A SPUTTER TARGET TO A ) BACKING PLATE AND THE ) ASSEMBLY THEREOF )	Examiner: L.R. Edmondson

## REPLY AND AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action issued August 5, 2005. The Examiner set a three-month period for response. A petition and authorization for a three-month extension of time are attached, making this Reply and Amendment due on or before February 5, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims appear on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks appear on page 6 of this paper.